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During the remainder of the month we shall continue to offer exceptional values in all the following lines. The reduction in many cases is as high as

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Table Cloths. \$2.25 to \$24.00
Napkins. \$2.00 to \$15.00 doz.
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Bed Spreads and Quilts. \$1.75 to \$10.00
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James McCutcheon & Co.
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SCHOOL CENSUS PROBABLE.

HEARING BY METZ, MCGOWAN AND AHEARN TO-MORROW.

They Are Likely to Recommend an Appropriation by Board of Estimate—State Superintendent Virtually Orders a Census in October—Maxwell Weakening

The various societies which have been agitating for the taking of a school census, in obedience to the State law of 1895, are somewhat encouraged over what they believe to be the changed attitude of the Board of Education. The subject will come up for a special hearing to-morrow before a committee of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, consisting of Comptroller Metz, President McGowan of the Board of Aldermen and President Ahearn of the borough of Manhattan.

The friends of the movement intend to make something of an onslaught on the committee. These men will probably speak: C. Loring Brace of the Children's Aid Society, Gaylord S. White of the Association of Neighborhood Workers, Dr. David Blaustein of the Educational Alliance, Dr. William S. Nichols of the Brooklyn Bureau of Charities and Dr. Allen of the Society for Improving the Condition of the Poor. Half a dozen philanthropic societies will be represented.

It is believed that when it is shown that the taking of the census is necessary to the enforcement of the compulsory education law and the child labor law the members of the committee will recommend an appropriation for the census, in accordance with the resolution passed by the Board of Estimate on December 5 last expressing itself in favor of securing "an efficient school census at some time during the coming year and as often thereafter as may be deemed advisable."

The changed attitude of semi-hostility on the part of the Board of Education and Supt. Maxwell of the Public Schools is said to be due to a letter received recently from the office of State Commissioner Draper at Albany. J. D. Sullivan of the compulsory attendance division of the State Commissioner's office wrote on December 18 to the Board of Education about the matter. He quoted the law requiring that a school census be taken every year and added:

It is expected that the local school authorities in each city of the State having a population of 10,000 and upward will take or cause to be taken a census of the school children of said city during the month of October, 1906.

This letter has been referred to the committee on by-laws and legislation of the board, which has not yet reported, but which, in view of the action by the board on the resolution of December 5 of the Board of Estimate, is expected to report favorably and to ask, unless the hearing to-morrow results in securing the money, for an appropriation for the census.

When the Board of Estimate, following the agitation by several societies last summer for a school census and following the report which Comptroller Groot ordered made by Robert B. Metz, of his office on the broad subject of a school census, expressed itself in favor of cooperating with the Board of Education and the State Commissioner of Education, the matter was referred to the Board of Education for action. Evidently it was thought to be time to do something, even though it has long been the opinion of Supt. Maxwell that such a census would not be advisable under present conditions. The board unanimously adopted a resolution expressing its willingness to assist in any way possible to secure proper legislation for the taking of such a census, on the express condition, however, that the four members of the board shall be provided by such legislation and shall not be drawn from any of the funds already voted or hereafter to be voted for the purposes of this department.

That was a negative kind of approval and put the matter up to the Board of Estimate. Since then the letter from Commissioner Draper's office to Albany has been received and it is regarded practically as an order. It is thought, therefore, that active and also negative opposition from the Board of Education to the project will cease.

Pressure upon the Board of Education, however, will not cease. George A. Hall, secretary of the compulsory attendance committee, sent to President Tilt of the Board of Education yesterday a letter urging the board to become active in the matter. Mr. Hall gave a history of school census undertakings and said:

You will recall that in 1895 the Compulsory Education law was amended, making it incumbent upon the State Superintendent of Public Instruction to take or cause to be taken a biennial school census in all towns and cities of the State having a population of 10,000 or upward. In October of that year such a census was taken, the work in the then city of New York being done by the Police Department. The facts shown by this census are full of significance. Two thousand six hundred and forty children of compulsory education age were found attending school. The census also showed nearly 75 per cent. being at work illegally. It was further learned through this census that there were in the city 65,000 children between the ages of 4 and 8 years not attending school.

If conditions like these were revealed in 1895 there is every reason to believe that conditions are fully as bad at present. According to the last annual report of the City Superintendent of Schools there were enrolled in June, 1904, in the public schools of this city 625,000 children between the ages of 5 and 14. Assuming that the age distribution of our present population is the same as shown by the Federal census of 1900, there are 807,000 children between the same ages in this city. What the remaining 182,000 children are doing no one knows.

The school census, as you doubtless know, has proved a success in many other cities. It has proved the gradual change of position that the Board of Education seems to be making.

1906. 61ST ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE MUTUAL BENEFIT LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

NEWARK, NEW JERSEY, FREDERICK FRELINGHUYSEN, President.

ASSETS, JANUARY 1st, 1906.		RECEIPTS IN 1905.	
Cash on hand and in Banks.....	\$1,090,266.30	Premiums.....	\$14,854,019.31
Loans on Collateral.....	8,104,350.00	Interest.....	4,230,094.30
United States and other Bonds, par.....	26,414,551.83	Dividends.....	1,601,824.88
First Bonds and Mortgages on Real Estate.....	47,108,927.00	Profit and Loss.....	15,945.05
Real Estate.....	3,079,206.90	Total Receipts.....	\$19,250,295.42
Loans on Policies in Force.....	14,067,448.84	Balance January 1st, 1905.....	\$9,101,501.37
Agents' balances and Cash Obligations.....	73,842.48		\$108,351,550.79
	\$64,932,780.80		
Interest due and accrued.....	\$1,651,754.50		
Net deferred and unreported premiums on Policies in force.....	1,200,172.15		
Total.....	\$67,784,727.88		
LIABILITIES.		EXPENDITURES IN 1905.	
Reserve Fund, according to the Actuarial and American Tables of Mortality with 4 and 3 per cent interest.....	\$50,728,587.00	Death Claims.....	\$3,128,022.15
Policies Claims in process of adjustment.....	272,340.90	Interest on Real Estate.....	1,406,891.67
Deferred Endowment Claims.....	236,543.07	Real Estate Expenses.....	147,745.85
Deferred Death Claims.....	185,588.86	Investment Expenses.....	85,174.44
Present value of \$122,302.50 hereafter payable on Matured Installment Bonds.....	325,155.50	Medical Expenses.....	172,400.00
Allowance for Unreported and Contingent Claims.....	325,000.00	Legal Expenses.....	47,140.90
Dividends due and unpaid.....	325,217.23	Commissions and Agency Expenses.....	1,611,310.81
Premiums paid in advance.....	76,819.66	Salaries and other Office Expenses.....	360,870.04
Surplus.....	\$6,910,895.81	Advertising, Printing and Postage.....	112,784.53
Market Value of Bonds over par.....	\$1,333,412.37	Total Expenses and Taxes.....	\$2,062,024.12
Assets on Market Value Basis.....	90,127,130.00	Fremiums on Bonds Purchased.....	102,014.72
Surplus on Market Value Basis.....	7,652,408.18	Charged off from foreclosed Real Estate, to cover possible depreciation.....	65,000.00
Policies issued and received in 1905.....	29,138	Total Expenditures.....	\$18,429,065.76
Insuring.....	\$41,363,148.00	Balance January 1st, 1906.....	\$10,922,790.43
Policies in force January 1st, 1906.....	146,643		\$108,351,550.79
Insuring.....	\$912,548,000.00		
Total Receipts from Policyholders in 1905.....			
Total paid to and invested for Policyholders in 1905.....			
Excess of Income from Investments over Expenses and Taxes in 1905.....			

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Upheaval in Local Politics

The DAILY NEWS for half a century has been a straight Democratic newspaper. On and after to-day the DAILY NEWS will be an INDEPENDENT DEMOCRATIC NEWSPAPER.

FOR SENSATIONAL REASONS see the Daily News to-day. For Sale Everywhere at 1 o'clock this afternoon.

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no good reason apparent to our committee why it should not be established in this city at once.

The enclosure to which Mr. Hall referred was from a report which concerned the Rhode Island schools. It said:

Every city and town in this State has taken an annual census of school children in January for the last thirty years. We do not guess what our children are doing, we know.

After referring to the information obtained and classified, it said:

Under this system one or two clerks and the post office can do much more efficient work than several officers blindly chasing boys through the streets and at much less expense.

There have been only two school censuses taken since the law of 1895 went into effect. They were in 1895 and 1897. The police took them in New York. Nothing came of them so far as any records of the Board of Education show. In 1899 the Board of Estimate appropriated \$68,000 for the purpose. Nothing was done about it because Supt. Skinner of the State authorities, owing to the lack of results and a dubious wording of the law about paying for the expense, especially by his department, and also because he had no money to run his end of it, decided not to have one. In 1901 the board asked for \$75,000, but those were the Van Wyck times and it was cut out. The Board of Education has since failed to ask for any appropriation and the law has become a dead letter.

The attitude of Supt. Maxwell has had a great deal to do with this matter. The complaint has been made that he has dominated the Board of Education. Outwardly he has expressed himself in favor of such a move, but he wanted a census providing for a sort of compulsory registration with police surveillance of families. The result is that nothing has been done.

Last year there were two censuses in this city, one by the State and one by the Board of Health. It would have been easy to get a census of the school children then, but there was manifest opposition by the school authorities. The reason for desiring one is to establish a basis for thorough study of the school needs of the city. It is absolutely necessary, it is argued, to know how many school children there are, where they are and what they are doing, before some of the reforms in the educational system of the city can be made.

It is expected that President McGowan of the Board of Aldermen, who is familiar with Board of Education matters, will be in favor of the census when he realizes its importance as bearing upon the compulsory education and child labor laws, and when he observes the gradual change of position that the Board of Education seems to be making.

Mrs. Boes's Suit Settled.
 The case of Mrs. Edith R. Boes, the young widow who sued William H. Bolton of the New York Athletic Club for \$25,000 for breach of promise, has been settled out of court. This announcement was made yesterday by Walter F. Severance, counsel for the plaintiff, when the case was about to go on before Justice Greenbaum in the Supreme Court. The lady was dismissed. Mr. Severance wouldn't tell the nature of the settlement.



In this Sum-Wint-er season, our "Double Shoe" is one of the few things we can recommend as safe for wear every day. Made with two thicknesses of waterproofed leather all through, and oiled silk turned into the welt between them, the shoe is proof against Summer showers as well as Winter sleet.

In appearance, just a heavy black walking shoe.

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 Three Broadway Stores.
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SAYS KEMP WAS OF SOUND MIND.

Doctor Called in Will Case Tells of Patient's Mental Condition.

At the trial of the suit before Justice Greenbaum and a jury in the Supreme Court to upset the will of Edward Kemp, disposing of property worth from \$4,000,000 to \$10,000,000, Dr. Daniel M. Stimson, the testator's physician was the first witness yesterday.

He testified that on December 8, 1901, he told Mr. Kemp that he had but a short time to live. On December 9 the will was executed. Mr. Kemp died on December 24. The plaintiffs, who are nephews and nieces of the deceased, allege that Mr. Kemp was virtually incompetent at the time he made the will.

Dr. Stimson testified that the testator was in a sound mental condition and that he was perfectly competent to execute a will.

Mrs. Kemp, who is the widow of the testator, led the chief beneficiary under the will, testified that it was she who called in Dr. Stimson. She also told of the visit to her home of Lawyer Treadwell Cleveland, who drew the will. She did not know he came to draw the will, but thought he called to make the taking of stock

James McCreery & Co.

Colored Dress Goods.
 On January the 24th.
 Fine quality English Mohair. Bright finish, 38 and 44 inches wide.
 Colors:—Blue and green check, black, blue, and Oxford grey mixtures, and navy blue or black grounds with polka dots.

55c. per yd.
 value 85c. to 1.00.

Silk and wool Eolienne. 42 inches wide.
 Colors:—Cream, pale blue, lavender, "Alice" and navy blue, cardinal, red and myrtle green, Havana brown, champagne and tan.

75c. per yd.

Twenty-third Street.

James McCreery & Co.

Cotton Goods Department.

White Dress Fabrics.
 A complete stock of new white, washable dress materials.

White mercerized Batiste. Soft finish. 47 inches wide.
 25c. per yd.

White embroidered Swiss, Batiste, Jacquard, Broche, Madras and fancy striped weaves.
 25c. per yd.

Fine white Linen. Soft finish. Suitable for Blouses or Summer Dresses. 36 inches wide.
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in the drughouse of which her husband was a partner.

The case will go on to-day.

The Wanamaker Store Closes at 5:30 P. M. The Wanamaker Store

The Annual Clean-up Sale Of HOSIERY and UNDERWEAR

This is one of the most stirring events of our store year. Last year it occurred on the day of the awful blizzard, and yet the crowds surged around the special counters all day long.

We make these radical cuts in prices to clean out thoroughly and quickly all the odd lots and broken sizes that have accumulated from the year's business.

Not more than two dozens of a kind to any one customer. None to dealers. Both Winter and Summer goods are included:

Women's Stockings

At 10c a Pair, were 15c
 Of fast black cotton, medium weight.

At 25c a Pair, were 35c to 75c
 Of fine thread, in unbleached, colored, black; also black, openwork ankles, plain or embroidered; white, openwork ankles; colored, openwork ankles; white, allover openwork; colored, allover openwork; colored tops; black, embroidered; white, embroidered; colored, embroidered; black, silk side-clocks; white, silk side-clocks; tan, silk side-clocks. Also plain black cotton.

At 50c a Pair, were \$1
 Of fine thread, in black, white or tan embroidered; black, vertical striped; black or white, openwork ankles; white, openwork ankles, closed or embroidered.

At \$1.15 a Pair, were \$1.50 to \$3
 And Seconds of \$1.50 and \$2 Grades
 Of black or white fine thread, embroidered; white fine thread, lace insertion; pure silk, black gauze; black pure silk, split feet; white, tan, navy blue, cardinal, green and high-colored pure silk.

At \$1.15 a Pair
 Seconds of \$1.50 and \$2 Grades
 Of black pure silk; white and colored pure silk.

At \$2.50 a Pair, were \$3.50 to \$5
 Of pure silk, in black, embroidered in white, or colors; in tan or white, self-embroidered; and in black with openwork ankles, embroidered.

At \$3.75 a Pair, were \$6.50 to \$12
 Of fine French pure silk, in black, embroidered in black, white or colors; also white, self-embroidered; and tan, openwork ankles, embroidered.

Children's Stockings
 At 5c a Pair, were 12c to 20c
 Cotton Socks. Lisle thread Stockings in black, white, tan, sky blue, or pink.

At 10c a Pair, were 20c and 25c
 Black or tan Cotton Stockings.

At 15c a Pair, were 25c to 35c
 Of white cotton; black ribbed cotton; black lisle thread, closed, or openwork; and black ribbed merino.

Basement.

Children's Stockings

At 25c a pair, were 40c to 75c
 Colored silk Socks.
 Black cotton or lisle thread Stockings. Black, white, cardinal, pink or sky blue silk-plated Stockings.

At 50c a pair, were 75c to \$1.50
 French pure silk Socks, black, white, sky blue or pink.
 Silk-plated Stockings, black, white, cardinal or sky blue.
 Ribbed spun-silk, sky blue Stockings.

At \$1 a pair, were \$1.70 to \$2.90
 Stockings of pure silk in black, white, sky blue, pink or cardinal.
 Broadway.

Men's Half-Hose
 At 10c a pair, three pairs for 25c, were 12c to 15c a pair
 Of cotton, unbleached, brown-mixed, or tan.
 Of merino, natural or camel's-hair colored; also clerical mixtures.

At 25c a pair, were 35c to 50c
 Of cotton, plain black; colored, closed or embroidered.
 Of lisle thread, in unbleached; black or colors, silk-closed; black or colors, silk-embroidered; black, openwork with silk clocks.

At 50c a pair, were 75c to \$1
 Of French lisle thread, in plain cadet blue, tan or gray.
 The remainder of our Spring, 1905, importation of French and German fancy lisle thread half-hose, in cadet blue, tan or gray grounds, closed or embroidered; black, openwork.

At 75c a pair, were \$1.25 to \$1.75
 The balance of our 1905 importation of fine French fancy lisle thread half-hose; the newest colorings in closed, embroidered or vertical striped effects; also mixtures and self-colored stripes.

At \$1.50 a pair, were \$2 to \$5
 French pure silk half-hose, in black, silk-closed or embroidered; in tan, white or gray silk, embroidered.

At \$2.50 a pair, were \$3.50 to \$5
 Of French pure silk, in black, closed or embroidered; colored, self or white embroidered.

Women's Underwear
 At 15c each, were 25c and 35c
 Corset Covers, of ribbed cotton. Vests, of cotton or lisle thread.

At 25c each, were 35c to 60c
 Corset Covers and Vests or Drawers, of cotton.

Basement.

Women's Underwear

At 50c each, were 75c to \$1.25
 Vests, of fancy lisle thread, silk-and-cotton, white merino, silk-and-merino. Drawers, of silk-and-cotton, white merino, silk-and-merino. Suits, of white ribbed cotton, ribbed merino.

At 75c each, were \$1.25 to \$1.75
 Vests, of fancy lisle thread, merino, or silk-and-merino. Drawers, of merino, suits, of white or natural merino.

At \$1 each, were \$1.50 to \$2
 Corset Covers, of silk-and-cotton. Vests, of spun silk, silk-and-merino. Drawers, of spun silk. Suits, of silk-and-cotton, or silk-and-merino.

At \$1.50 each, were \$2.50 to \$3.50
 Vests, of lisle thread or linen mesh. Suits, of silk-and-cotton, spun silk or black wool.

At \$2.50 each, were \$4.50 to \$9
 Suits, of spun silk or linen-mixed Broadway.

Men's Underwear
 At 50c each, were \$1
 Shirts and Drawers, of French balbriggan, mercerized cotton, merino. Drawers, of Canton flannel.

At \$1 each, were \$1.50 to \$2
 Shirts and Drawers, of unbleached balbriggan, colored mercerized balbriggan, colored merino, blue, ribbed merino, natural ribbed merino.

At \$1.50 each, were \$2.50 to \$4
 Shirts and Drawers, of English white merino, English unshrinkable wool and linen mesh.

At \$3.50 each, were \$5.75 to \$10.50 (Allen, Solly & Co.'s fine Underwear.)
 Shirts and Drawers, of white merino, gray wool, gray silk-and-wool. Broadway.

Children's Underwear
 At 10c each, were 15c to 35c
 Vests, of cotton or lisle thread. Shirts, of balbriggan. Pantslets, of white or black cotton, or lisle thread.

At 25c each, were 40c to 75c
 Infants' Wool Bands, and Merino Wrappers.

Shirts or Drawers, of fleeced cotton, ribbed cotton or ribbed merino. Broadway.

Men's Afternoon and Evening Clothes

When a good-looking man in good-looking clothes does not seem at his best—it may be the clothes' fault after all. There's something more than appears—more than fit, quality, shape, style—that gives tone to a suit.

The smart tailors achieve it—and charge for it.

These clothes achieve it—and forget to charge:

French Coats and Waistcoats, of black cloth, serge-lined and silk-faced, \$20. Full silk-lined, at \$25.

Of imported Vicuña, full silk-lined, at \$25.

Evening Dress Suits, of black thibet, unfinished worsted and imported fabrics, at \$25 to \$50.

Tuxedo Suits, of thibet, unfinished worsted and imported materials, at \$25 to \$40.

Cutaway Suits, of black thibet, serge-lined, at \$15; of unfinished worsted and some serge-lined, others silk-lined, at \$20 to \$35.

Fine, neat striped worsted Trousers at \$5 to \$12.

Second floor, Fourth avenue.

An Exhibition of ORIENTAL RUGS

And a Special Offering

We have now on display a very fine group of Afghan and Cashmere Rugs—old qualities, in especially large sizes. Well worth examination. Prices range from \$125 to \$350.

The special offering presents a group of about forty small Daghestan Rugs, regularly sold at \$12.50, today at \$10 each.

Third floor, Tenth street.

New Silk Waists

A season of delicate colors—judging by the signs. And it looks as if American dyes were on the trail of the rare, pale tints that once came from France alone.

These Waists have more than newness and beauty to recommend them. They are quiet, fine, distinguished—waists of elegance.

Of Messaline Silk. White or light blue, with yoke and ingenious trimmings of lace, short shirred sleeves. \$5.

Of Louisa Silk. Tailor-made, with box-pleat, silk cord and button trimmings. \$6.50.

Of Redia Silk. Plaited, with heavy insertions, short sleeves. \$10.

With Valenciennes and Cluny laces; Cluny medallions; short sleeves. \$14.

Of China Silk. White, with yoke of heavy lace and Valenciennes trimmings; short sleeves. \$7.50.

Second floor, Tenth street.

The January Clean-up Of GLOVES

Our stocks are in better condition than ever before, this year. We have less than three thousand pairs of Gloves to be hurried out before inventory. What we have to offer shall be made into most stirring bargains, to gratify those who are waiting for this annual event. But the sale will necessarily be a short one; and you must be prompt to profit by it. These are the chief groups—other lots are too small to mention, for fear of disappointing many:

About 1500 Pairs of Women's Gloves
 At 35c, were 65c, 75c and \$1

1-class Outseam Cape, in tan.
 2-class Overseam Glove, in colors, and black and white.

About 400 Pairs of Men's Gloves
 At 50c, were 85c and \$1

1-class Mocha, in gray and tan.
 1-class Reindeer Suede, in tan.

About 1000 Pairs of Men's Gloves
 At \$1, were \$1.50, \$2, \$2.50 and \$3.75

Men's Reindeer, Cape and Kid Gloves, of a well-known English make. Ninth street and Broadway.

Lillian Corsets—Reduced A Very Rare Occurrence

Imported, exclusive, present models. The illustrious Lillian Corsets—graceful, scientific, chic and lovely, made by the laureate corset-maker of France—reduced for these reasons:

One cause. Some slight, very slight marks of handling.

Another cause. Size-ranges incomplete.

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\$5.50 to \$25 Corsets at \$2.75 to \$10
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Boys' Washable Suits, \$1.85 Each

Worth \$2.50 to \$4.50

Three hundred and fifty suits—many of them samples. Plain and striped chambrays, and plain blue denims.

Russian Blouse Suits—2½ to 7 years.
 Sailor Blouse Suits—5 to 12 years.

The leading maker in the business put these in our way in a very special White Sale offering.